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ON Current Deposit Account at the rate of 2 per cent. per annum on the daily balance.

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T. JACKSON,
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Hongkong, February 16, 1879.

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CAPITAL, £800,000.
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Bankers.

THE BANK OF ENGLAND.
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THE BANK'S BRANCH in HONGKONG grants Drafts on London and the chief Commercial places in Europe and the East; buys and receives for collection Bills of Exchange, and conveys all kinds of Banking and Exchange Business.

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Entertainment.

GARRISON THEATRE.

BY PERMISSION
OF MAJOR-GENERAL E. DONOVAN, AND
LIEUT.-COLONEL HALL, AND
OFFICERS R.A.

THE ROYAL ARTILLERY DRAMATIC CLUB,
will give

A PERFORMANCE,
THIS EVENING,
the 16th April, 1879.

For the benefit of a Widow of the Corps.

The Performance will commence Each EVENING, with the

DOMESTIC DRAMA in Two Acts, entitled

THE CHIMNEY CORNER.

To conclude Each EVENING with the Original and Entertaining FARCE, entitled

B. B.

By kind permission the Band of 27th Inniskillings will attend.

PRICE OF ADMISSION:
First Seats..... One Dollar.
Second do..... 50 Cents.
Third do..... 25 "

Tickets can be obtained at the OFFICERS' MESS, SERGEANTS' MESSES, and CANTEEN SEROGETS, R.A., and 27th INNISKILLINGS, and at the DOORS on the Nights of Performance.

Doors Open at..... 8.30 p.m.
To Commence at..... 9.00 "

PUNKAH S.
" GOD SAVE THE QUEEN."

Hongkong, April 16, 1879.

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THE HONGKONG CHORAL SOCIETY, WILL PERFORM

TRIAL BY JURY, by ARTHUR SULLIVAN, AND DIBDIN'S BALLAD OPERA,

THE WATERMAN, at the CITY HALL THEATRE, ON

TUESDAY NEXT, the 22nd Instant, at 9 p.m.

Tickets may be obtained at Places secured at Messrs LANE, CRAWFORD & Co.'s, on and after Thursday, the 17th, at Noon.

W. WHEELER,
Acting Hon. Secretary.

Hongkong, April 15, 1879.

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Auctions.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned has received instructions to sell by Public Auction,

ON

FRIDAY, the 18th of April, 1879, at 11 a.m., at his Sales Room, Zetland Street,—

(For account of the concerned.)

50 Cases YELLOW METAL, from

16 to 24 ounce.

TERMS—Cash on delivery.

F. RAPP,
Auctioneer.

Hongkong, April 12, 1879.

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PUBLIC AUCTION.

TO BE SOLD by PUBLIC AUCTION, shortly, on a day to be hereafter named, unless previously disposed of by private contract.—

THE HONGKONG DISTILLERY,

Situate at East Point, Hongkong, now in Complete Working Order, and Capable of Distilling upwards of 2,000 Gallons daily. The Property is of a most valuable nature, comprising THREE PIECES OF GROUND close to the water, viz.:—Inland Lots Nos 749, 781, and 782, with the Substantially Built DWELLING House and BUSINESS PREMISES erected specially for the purpose only a few years since, together with the MACHINERY, ENGINES, STILLS, VATS, STOCK, and TRADE FURNITURE and FITTINGS.

For further Particulars, apply to

Messrs SHARP, TOLLER, and JOHNSON, Solicitors, Supreme Court House, Hongkong.

Hongkong, March 5, 1879.

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NOTIFICATIONS.

EX-LATE ARRIVALS.

CALCUTTA SUN HATS and HELMETS in New Shapes.
CHRISTY'S SUMMER STRAW and FELT HATS.

ELLWOOD'S EXTRA LIGHT PATENT AIR CHAMBER HELMETS.

FRENCH LIGHT SUMMER BOOTS & SHOES, CANVAS SHOES.

ELECTRO-PLATED ICE PAILS, ICE TONGS, ICE SHOVELS, ICE PITCHERS.

The New ELECTRO-PLATED READING LAMPS for Kerosine, perfectly safe.

ELECTRO-PLATED CIGAR LAMPS, LAWN TENNIS-BATS and BALLS.

POCKET SIPHONS and WATERPROOF COATS.

AUTOMATON UMBRELLAS, PERFUMERY and TOILET SOAPS.

INDIA RUBBER AIR BEDS, CUSHIONS and PILLOWS.

The New CHIT BOOKS, MAPS of AFGHANISTAN.

CAFETIERES, COCOA-NUT MATTING & MATS.

NEW SCARVES, BRACES and COLLARS.

The PATENT LIFE JACKETS and SWIMMING BELTS.

MEERSCHAUM and BRAHMI PIPES. DE LA RUE'S and AMERICAN PLAYING CARDS.

The Celebrated HUNYADI JANOS MINERAL WATER.

SPRATT'S FIBRINE DOG BISCUITS, MAGNIFYING GLASSES.

MAPS OF CHINA.

A Large COLLECTION OF WORKS OF REFERENCE.

FAMILY SCALES.

OVERLAND-TRUNKS.

CLARETS, SAUTERNES and OTHER LIGHT SUMMER WINES.

LANE, CRAWFORD & Co.

Hongkong, April 2, 1879.

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FOR SALE.

EUGENE RIMMEL'S TROPICAL FLOWER WATER.

TRADE MARK.

SUPERIOR TO ALL SIMILAR PREPARATIONS.

VOGEL & Co., Sole Agents for China.

Hongkong, February 19, 1879. my19

FOR SALE.

DEVÖE'S KEROSINE OIL, in One

Pint Tins, according to the Ordinance.

LANE, CRAWFORD & Co.

Hongkong, April 12, 1879. ap19

NOTICES OF FIRMS.

NOTICE.

THE INTEREST and RESPONSIBILITY of Mr. WILLIAM SAYBREY GODFREY BIRD as a Partner; the Business will henceforward be continued under the Name of "WILSON & BIRD."

WILSON & SALWAY, Architects, &c.

NOTICE.

THE INTEREST and RESPONSIBILITY of Mr. WALTER SCOTT FITZ, in our Firm in Hongkong and China, CEASED on

the 31st December last.

CHARLES VINCENT SMITH is admitted a Partner from this Date.

RUSSELL & Co.

Hongkong, January 1, 1879. jy1

NOTICE.

MR. JAMES ANDERSON, formerly Manager of the Foochow Docks, has this Day been admitted a Partner in our Firm.

J. INGLIS & Co., Victoria Foundry, Wan Chai.

Hongkong, April 1, 1879. jy1

Shipping.

Steamers.

FOR SAN FRANCISCO.

The A 1 American Bark

"PENOBCOT," Capt. CHIPMAN, will load here

for the above Port, and will have quick despatch.

For Freight, apply to

RUSSELL & Co.

Hongkong, March 29, 1879. ap29

FOR VICTORIA (VANCOUVER'S ISLAND).

THE A 1 American Bark

Intimations.

Volume Seventh of the
"CHINA REVIEW."

Now Ready.

No. 4.—VOL. VII.

OF THE

"CHINA REVIEW"

CONTAINS—

Jottings from the Book of Rites—
Brief Sketches from the Life of K'ung-ming.

The Ballads of the Shih-kung—
Translations of Chinese School-books.
The Critical Disquisitions of Wang Ch'ung—
Alchymy in China.

Appendix to Wylie's "Coins of the Ta-

ching Dynasty," "Hien Fung," Period.

Short Notices of New Books and Literary

Intelligence.

Notes and Queries:—

A Few Petty Additions to Dr Douglas'

Dictionary.

Trouts in China.

Ancient Vases.

Inheritance.

Greeting the Spring.

Adoption.

The Torn Kuan.

Mongol and Yuan-pao.

Leasehold Usage.

Chinese Coins.

Circumlocution of the King of Loochoo.

The Ouigur Alphabet.

Books Wanted, Exchanges, &c.

China Mail Office,

Hongkong, March 21, 1879.

Notices to Consignees.

FROM LONDON AND SINGAPORE.

THE S.S. "Glenagles" having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods—with the exception of Opium—are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Undersigned, whence and/or from the Wharves or Boats delivery may be obtained.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded unless notice to the contrary be given before 2 o'clock on 14th.

Cargo remaining undelivered after the 21st instant will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by JARDINE, MATHEON & CO.

Hongkong, March 15, 1879.

FROM LONDON, SINGAPORE AND PENANG.

THE Steamship "Lord of the Isles" having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Undersigned, whence and/or from the Wharf or Boats delivery may be obtained.

Cargo remaining undelivered after the 21st instant will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, April 15, 1879.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNNEES.

CONSIGNEES of the following Cargo are requested to send in their Bills of Lading to the Undersigned for counter-signature, and take immediate delivery. This Cargo has been landed and stored at their risk and expense.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

G. DE CHAMPEAUX,

Agent:

Ex "Peiho."

A M E (in diamond) H L 8 (underneath) Nos. 3, Order, 1 case Cotton, from London.

F V Mr F. Vincenton, 26 bags Beans, A L from Saigon.

A No. 135/142, Assen, 8 cases Umbrellas, from Marseilles.

A A No. 100, Messrs Melchers & Co., 1 case Merchandise, from Marseilles.

S P Order, 22 bags Stones, from Madras.

Hongkong, April 10, 1879.

To-day's Advertisements.

FOR SHANGHAI

The Steamship

"AMOY,"

G. H. DREWES, Master, will be despatched for the above Port TOMORROW, the 17th inst., at 4 p.m.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

VOGEL & Co.

Hongkong, April 16, 1879.

FOR NEW YORK

The 41 American Ship

"HAZEE,"

EVANS, Master.

For Freight, apply to

VOGEL & Co.

Hongkong, April 16, 1879.

FOR MANILA

The 41 Italian Bark

"EMILIO V."

MISSETT, Master.

For Freight, apply to

VOGEL & Co.

Hongkong, April 16, 1879.

FOR SALE

COKE.....\$7.50 per ton.

COAL TAR.....10 cents per gallon.

Delivery to be taken at the Gas Works,

West Point.

Hongkong, April 16, 1879.

To-day's Advertisements.

TO LET

TOGETHER, OR SEPARATELY.

MARINE-HOUSE—WEST

FIRST AND SECOND FLOORS, and A

GODOWN.

Apply to

E. R. BELLIJOS.

Hongkong, April 16, 1879.

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Not Responsible for Debts.

Neither the Captain, the Agent, nor

Owners will be Responsible for any

Debt contracted by the Officers or Crew

of the following Vessels, during their stay

in Hongkong Harbour:—

J. H. FRIEDERICH, German brig, Capt.

A. H. KRONKE—Wiele & Co.

GOLDEN FLEECE, British barque, Capt.

James Wilshire—Gibbs & Co.

ONEIDA, British ship, Captain S. Glynn

—Gibb, Livingston & Co.

TAIWAN, German barque, Captain C.

J. ARTHUR, Karberg & Co.

QUEEN OF INDIA, British barque, Capt.

R. H. CARY—Adamson, Bell & Co.

LORD OF THE ISLES, British steamer,

Capt. T. S. BEAL—Gibb, Livingston & Co.

SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.

April 16, Prima Donna, American ship,

1450, W. H. Lunt, Yokohama April 6,

Ballast—VOGEL & Co.

April 16, Geisne Bros., German barque,

402, F. v. Trumbull, Singapore March 8,

Wood—WIELES & Co.

April 16, Amoy, British steamer, from

Canton.

April 16, Fuyew, Chinese steamer, from

Canton.

April 16, Tanais, French steamer, 1785,

de la Marcele, Yokohama April 10, Mails

and General—MESS. GERIUS MARTINH.

April 16, Flintshire, British steamer,

1236, T. Thomas, Saigon April 10, Rice—

GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.

April 16, Malina, German barque, 479,

H. Kluge, Singapore March 18, Timber—

WIELES & Co.

DEPARTURES.

Apr. 18, B. F. Watson, for Saigon

16, Glenagles, for Shanghai.

16, Emil Julius, for Whampoa.

16, An-lan, Chinese R.C., for cruise.

16, Norna, for Salson.

16, Diamante, for Manila.

16, Arratoon Appear, for Singapore, Penang, and Calcutta.

16, Moray, for Singapore, Penang, and Calcutta.

18, Penedo, for Manila.

CLEARED.

Fuyew, for Shanghai.

Amoy, for Shanghai.

Kwangtung, for Coast Ports.

Wrecker, for Swatow.

Denbighshire, for Manila.

PASSENGERS.

ARRIVED.

Per Tanais, from Yokohama, Messrs

Yosokawa and Nakawa.

Per Flintshire, from Saigon, Messrs

Serre, Duby, and 53 Chinese.

DEPARTED.

Per Glenagles, for Shanghai, Mr Robin-

son.

Per Arratoon Appear, for Singapore, &c.,

Mr and Mrs Dauver, Messrs J. R. Shiroe,

Madge, H. N. Cooper, & 260 Chinese.

Per Moray, for Singapore, &c., 350 Chi-

nese.

Per B. F. Watson, for Saigon, 2 Euro-

peans.

Per Nona, for Saigon, 76 Chinese.

Per Diamante, for Manila, 1 European.

Per Penedo, for Saigon, 2 Chinese.

TO DEPART.

Per Fuyew, for Shanghai, 100 Chinese.

Per Amoy, for Shanghai, 10 Chinese.

Per Kwangtung, for Coast Ports, 2 Euro-

peans, and 300 Chinese.

SHIPPING REPORTS.

The German barque "Geisne Bros." reports:

Mostly fine weather and strong N.E.

winds.

The British steamer "Flintshire" reports:

Left Singapore on the 19th March, and

worked to the Eastward with light E.N.E.

winds. From 11th of April to 16 N. and

115 E., had strong N.E. winds with very

heavy sea. Passed Cape Rock on the 14th,

and anchored some night. Made up to</

coming summer. We strongly command this suggested revival of the "Field of the Cloth of Gold" to the Amateur Dramatic Club, and would urge them to lose no time in doing so, considering the lateness of the season. What say you, good Kings Hal and Francis, fair dames Katherine, Constance, and Anne, Mesieurs Darley, Suffolk, and Von Schlesier? It mainly depends on you.

AMATEUR THEATRICALS.

Last night the Garrison Theatre was filled by a large audience, come together to witness an amateur theatrical performance by the Royal Artillery Dramatic Club, the proceeds of which are to be devoted to the relief of the widow of a late member of the Corps. The domestic drama of "The Chimney Corner" was the piece selected for representation, and on the whole it was admirably put on the boards. The cast was as follows:—

SOLON PROBY (aged 91), J. Dade; Peter PROBY (a chamberlain), E. G. Reynolds; John PROBY (his son), F. Fillingham; Mr CHARLES CHETTRY (a lawyer), H. Stringer; Sister (a detective), W. J. Buswell; Party PROBY (wife of Mrs W. H. Drake); Peter), Grace EMERY, Mrs W. J. Buswell.

Too much praise cannot be given to Mr Reynolds who, as Peter, won the admiration and hearty applause of the house. Mr Dade, as the grandfather, performed his difficult part well, and both the ladies deserve great credit for their careful, quiet, and artistic rendering of the roles assigned them. The other characters are of minor importance in the piece, of too little importance apparently for those who undertook them to bestow much care upon their study. The force of "B.B." (otherwise "The Benign Boy") brought the entertainment to a close. The characters were thus assumed:—

Squires GREENFIELD, J. W. Phillips; Bob RATTLES, (the ex-Ohio), a retired pugilist, E. G. Reynolds; Joe, (waiter at the Percy Arms), F. Fillingham; Mr BENJAMIN B. BINN, (an agent), J. Dade; Mrs. FURNISHON, (landlady of the Percy Arms), Mrs W. H. Drake; Doroty (house-maid of the Percy Arms), Mrs W. J. Buswell.

In the farce every one made a highly creditable appearance. The ladies deserve the greatest meed of praise. Both Mrs. Drake and Mrs. Buswell approach nearer perfection every time they appear. Mr Fillingham seemed much more at home in the character of Joe than in that to which he was relegated in the "domestic drama"; his impersonation of the waiter was extremely good. The performance will be repeated this evening, when it is to be hoped as good an audience will be present. This being so, a considerable sum will be raised for the widow whom it is intended to benefit. We should not omit to mention the excellent services of the Band of the 27th Inniskillings, which tended very much to enliven the evening.

CORRESPONDENCE.

WHO'S WHO.

To the Editor of the "CHINA MAIL".
Hongkong, April 16.
Sir,—I observe what I conceive to be a grave irregularity with regard to the recognition of General Grant at Singapore. At the state dinner at Government House, where the Maharajah of Johore and the heads of Departments, civil and military, were present, the Administrator, I read, proposed the health of the President of the United States, coupling with it the name of the distinguished guest of the evening. This, to my mind, is considerably ridiculous. The toast of the resident of the United States should not be coupled with the name of anybody, unless he is the President of the United States. General Grant is coming amongst us, "for he himself hath said it," simply as citizen of the United States, without authority in the Councils or Government of the country. We are quite at liberty to drink General Grant's health as frequently and as devotedly as we please; but if we drink the health of the President of the United States, we drink the health of the present occupant of White House, and General Grant is left out in the cold. It would be just as appropriate to drink the health of the Governor of Hongkong, and couple with the toast the name of Sir Hercules Robinson. Again, I fancy the reference to the General, being the next President are slightly too cock-sure. Col. Moseby is alleged to have stated that Grant is to be the next President; but that don't rank for much. I should advise Chambers of Commerce and such like things as present addresses to men like the General, (of whom we are all proud) not to prophecy unless they are dead certain.

A. R.

Police Intelligence.

Besides the Ichang case there was very little business of interest at the Police Court-to-day.

Wong Afong, a hawker, was charged with being found in the unlawful possession of two pictures, the property of Sergeant Robinson of the 27th Regiment; but the case was dismissed, as it was shewn that the pictures had been left at the defendant's house by a man who had left the colony.

James Cooney and Thomas Coyne, privates belonging to the 27th Regiment, were charged with assaulting one Wong Acting, a milkman, and stealing 23 cents. From the complainant's statement it appeared that one of the defendants asked him for change; he pulled out all he had, but defendants produced no currency for which they wanted change to be given, he returned it to his purse. Suddenly a man jumped up and seized complainant round the waist, whilst the second defendant placed his hands over his eyes, and the first defendant relieved him of his purse, containing 23 cents. The defendants ran away into one of the Barrack rooms, and were afterwards identified by the complainant. James Burns, a private in the same regiment, gave evidence which appeared to corroborate the complainant's statement. His Worship remanded the case till the 23rd instant, to allow of further evidence being obtained.

The two men charged with being concerned in the disturbance at Bonham Strand last Friday were further remanded till the 19th instant.

BREACH OF PASSENGERS ORDINANCE.—THE ICHANG.

David Martin, Master of the British str. Ichang, appeared on a summons for that he carried in the steamer Ichang an excessive number of passengers, to wit, 400 more than 2 passengers to every 3 tons.

Mr Sharp (the Crown Solicitor) appeared to prosecute, and Mr Mackintosh, of Messrs Butterfield & Swins (the agents), appeared in person to defend the case.

Mr Sharp said:—This is a summons under Ordinance No. 11, of 1866, under section 2, or rather more particularly with regard to section 3, [section read]. This case requires very little comment as it is almost exactly similar to the two cases of the Canton Steamer Company which came before your Worship; with this exception that it appears to me to be somewhat more glaring a defiance of the law than those other cases, inasmuch as one would have imagined that recent occurrences would have so cautioned the defendant in this case, at all other Captains of passenger steamers, against allowing such an offence, as this to occur. But this seems not to have been the case. Indeed for some time past it has been known, although not exactly ascertained, that the Ichang was carrying an excessive number of passengers; so much so that instructions were given to Inspector Matheson to take a precise and careful reckoning of the number of passengers on board on Friday last, being Good Friday, with a view to prosecuting.

His Worship: I presume there is no evidence of all this continued contravention of the law, and that you confine yourself merely to the day when the excessive number of passengers is said to have been carried.

Mr Sharp: Precisely, we merely allege and intend to prove that this contravention of the Ordinance was committed on that particular day. I do not bring evidence of the continued contravention of the Ordinance. That was only sufficient to raise suspicion and led, as I have said to Inspector Matheson receiving his instructions, and counting the number of passengers on 1st May last which was found to be excessive. I shall prove that the net registered tonnage of the Ichang is 1049 tons; and according to the ordinance, which prescribes two passengers for every three tons net register as the maximum number of passengers to be carried, she would be legally entitled to carry 698 passengers. On the occasion in question no less than 1088, exactly four hundred over and above what the ordinance permitted, were carried. The examination and reckoning were carried out with exceeding care; and every provision was made, steam launches and boats were sent out and stationed in various parts of the harbour, to make sure that no colliers or others got on to the steamer from sampans before the counting took place. The number of passengers coming from the steamer by the different gangways would be sworn to by Inspector Matheson, Sergeant Flynn, and P. C. Campbell; and there could not be the slightest doubt that all the passengers they counted came down the Canton River by that steamer, and that none went on board from the harbour.

Mr Alves, clerk at the Harbour Master's office, produced the Register of Ships entered here which shewed the Ichang's net registered tonnage to be 1049·57. This would allow her to carry 698 passengers according to the ordinance.

By Mr Mackintosh:—An application was made a few days ago to have the Ichang remeasured, and also in 1876, but the application was then refused under instructions from the Board of Trade.

Inspector Matheson sworn deposed:—I received instructions to count the passengers which arrived by the steamer Ichang last Friday. I placed a boat outside the shipping to see that no boats got alongside before she got into the Harbour; and a steam-launch was ordered to cruise about, besides five boats kept by the wharf. I stationed myself on the wharf along with Sergeant Flynn, P. C. Campbell and several other constables. A guard was kept at the gate, and no one was allowed on the Wharf except the Police and a few of the Company's coolies; they wear a certain kind of hat. When the steamer got alongside the wharf I told the Chinese Sergeant to tell the passengers not to make a rush as I was going to count them. I placed myself at the main gangway with two constables. Sergeant Flynn went to the forward gangway, and Campbell to the after gangway. I counted the passengers as they came out one by one, and took a note of it at the time. I counted 788. I am sure that no one but the Company's coolies went on board whilst I stood there, and these I did not count. All the passengers left the Wharf as soon as they landed. The crew were left on board, but I did not count them. I noticed the police boats and the steam-launch whilst I was counting the passengers. Precautions were taken to prevent any one getting on board from the water side.

By Mr Mackintosh:—I counted men, women and children; I did not count children under 5 years of age, but all others. I cannot say how many children I counted, but there were very few. I do not know all the crew of the steamer, and could not be certain that none of the crew left with the passengers. I do not remember that any European passengers came out of the gangway. I did not, of course, count him nor any other European officers or passengers.

I counted one.

Sergeant Flynn deposed to having counted the passengers which left the gangway.

He was assisted by two Chinese Constables.

There was no rush.

He counted all children who walked.

They might perhaps be under ten years of age.

I know most of the crew of the Ichang.

There are some Chinese I don't know.

I cannot say how many. All those I counted left the quay. I cannot swear that none of the crew walked out with the passengers.

The Captain came off by my gangway.

I did not, of course, count him nor any other European officers or passengers.

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EHUTCHINGS begs to announce to the Community of Hongkong that he will be able to supply BEEF, MUTTON, &c., from 1st October, and trusts that they may grant him their support.

Shop—WELLINGTON STREET, opposite the Cathedral.

Hongkong, September 20, 1878.

To Let.

TO LET—AT WANCHAI.

FIRST CLASS GODOWNS. Goods of every description Landed and Stored.

For terms, apply to LANDSTEIN & Co. Hongkong, April 4, 1879.

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HOUSES, Nos. 3 and 4, SEYMOUR TERRACE. DAVID SASOON, SONS & Co. Hongkong, April 8, 1879.

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OFICES in CLUB CHAMBERS. THE BUNGALOW No. 3, OLD BAILEY STREET. Apply to DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co. Hongkong, April 8, 1879.

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PORTION of a HOUSE, very suitable for OFFICE and DWELLING, also for a STORE, Queen's Road Central. Possession 1st March next.

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IN the Houses on MARINE LOT 65, formerly known as the Blue Houses, situated on Praya East.—

FIRST FLOORS of Nos. 2, 3 and 4, Praya East, with immediate possession.

As also,

A FRONT and BACK ROOM in the DWELLING to the eastward of the Pier, with part of its spacious Verandah. Immediate Possession.

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FIRST CLASS GRANITE GODOWNS, attached to Blue Houses at Wanchai, MARINE LOT 65.

Also, A SPACIOUS TIMBER YARD, close to the Wanchai Pier. Timber received on Storage or the Yard Rented.

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TO BE LET.

TWO Excellent STONE-FLOORED GODOWNS, on Marine Lot No. 10, Praya Central.

Apply to TURNER & Co. Hongkong, August 1, 1878.

TO LET.

FIRST-CLASS OFFICES and GODOWNS, Nos. 54 and 60, Praya Central.

Apply to WO HANG, Nos. 6 and 7, Praya West. Hongkong, January 2, 1879.

Mails.

U. S. MAIL LINE.

PACIFIC MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

THROUGH to NEW YORK, VIA OVERLAND RAILWAYS, AND TOUCHING AT YOKOHAMA, and SAN FRANCISCO.

THE U. S. Mail Steamer ALASKA will be despatched for San Francisco via Yokohama, on SATURDAY, May 3d, 1879, at 3 p.m., taking Cargo and Passengers for Japan, the United States, Mexico, Central and South America, and Europe.

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H. M. BLANCHARD,
Acting Agent. Hongkong, April 16, 1879.

Mails.



STEAM FOR

SINGAPORE, PENANG, POINT DE GALLE, ADEN, SUEZ, MALTA, BRINDISI, ANCONA, VENICE, MEDITERRANEAN PORTS, SOUTH AMPTON, and LONDON;

ALSO

BOMBAY, MADRAS, and CALCUTTA.

Insurances.

RYAL INSURANCE COMPANY.

THE Undersigned, Agents for the above Company, are prepared to grant Insurances at current rates.

MELCHERS & Co., Agents, Royal Insurance Company.

Hongkong, October 27, 1874.

QUEEN FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY.

THE Undersigned are prepared to grant Policies against FIRE to the extent of \$45,000 on Buildings, or on Goods stored therein, at current local rates, subject to a Discount of 20% on the Premium.

NORTON & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, January 1, 1874.

THE CHINA FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

HEAD OFFICE—HONGKONG.

AGENCIES at all the Treaty Ports of China and Japan, and at Singapore, Saigon and Penang.

Kicks accepted, and Policies of Insurance granted at the rates of Premium current at the above mentioned Ports.

NO CHARGE FOR POLICY FEES.

JAS. B. COUGHTRIE, Secretary.

Hongkong, November 1, 1871.

THE LONDON ASSURANCE

INCORPORATED BY ROYAL CHARTER of His Majesty King George The First, A. D. 1720.

THE Undersigned having been appointed Agents for the above Corporation are prepared to grant Insurances as follows—

Marine Department. Policies issued at current rates payable either here, in London, or at the principal Ports of India, China and Australia.

Shipping Orders will be granted until Noon.

Cargo will be received on board until 4 p.m., Specie and Parcels until 3 p.m. on the 18th April, 1879. (Parcels are not to be sent on board; they must be left at the Agency's Office.)

Contents and value of Packages are required.

For further particulars, apply at the Company's Office.

G. DE CHAMPEAUX, Agent.

Hongkong, April 7, 1879.

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DECIDENTAL & ORIENTAL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

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INSURANCES.

SWISS LLOYD TRANSPORT INSURANCE COMPANY OF WINTERTHUR.

THE Undersigned having been appointed Agents for the above Company, have This Day taken over charge of the Hongkong Agency, and are prepared to grant INSURANCE on MARINE RISKS at Current Rates to all parts of the World.

MEYER & Co., Agents. Hongkong, February 10, 1879.

MANCHESTER FIRE ASSURANCE COMPANY OF MANCHESTER AND LONDON.

ESTABLISHED 1824.

Capital of the Company £1,000,000 Sterling, of which is paid up £100,000 Reserve Fund upwards of £120,000 " Annual Income £200,000 "

THE Undersigned have been appointed Agents for the above Company at Hongkong, Canton, Foochow, Shanghai, and Hankow, and are prepared to grant Insurances at current rates.

For further information as to Passage and Freight, apply to the Agency of the Company, No. 4, Praya Central.

RUSSELL & Co., Agents. Hongkong, April 16, 1879.

THE CHINA MAIL.

Merchant Vessels in Hongkong Harbour.

Exclusive of late Arrivals and Departures reported to-day.

To facilitate finding the position of any vessel in the Harbour, the Anchorage is divided into eight Sections, commencing at Green Island. Vessels near the Hongkong shore are marked *a*, near the Kowloon shore *b*, and those in the body of the Harbour or midway between each shore are marked *c*, in conjunction with the figures denoting the sections.

Section.

1. From Green Island to the Gas Works.
2. From Gas Works to the Novelty Iron Works.
3. From Novelty Iron Works to the Harbour Master's Office.
4. From Harbour Master's to the P. and O. Co.'s Office.
5. From P. and O. Co.'s Office to Pedder's Wharf.
6. From Pedder's Wharf to the Naval Yard.
7. From Naval Yard to the Pier.
8. From Pier to East Point.

Vessel's Name.	Anchor-age.	Captain.	Flag and Rig.	Tons.	Date of Arrival.	Consignees or Agents.	Destination.	Remarks.
Amoy	4 c	Drewes	Brit. str.	814	April 16	Siemssen & Co.	Shanghai	To-morrow
Anadyr	5 o	Brunet	Fr. str.	2440	April 15	Messageries Maritimes	Marseilles, &c.	Mails, 19th
Arraton Apacar	6 h	Milne	Brit. str.	1392	April 15	David Sasoon, Sons & Co.	S'pore, Calcutta, &c.	To-day
Cham	1 h		Brit. str.	749	Feb. 12	Kwok Acheong	Yokohama	Sands' Slip
Ching Hock Kian	2 h	Webb	Brit. str.	950	Mar. 14	Bun Hin Chan	Manila	Ab'dean Dock
China	5 h	Alderton	Brit. str.	514	April 16	Russell & Co.	Shanghai	To-day
Diamante	6 b	Thebaud	Brit. str.	1116	April 5	Siemssen & Co.	Shanghai	Ab'dean Dock
Fame	6 b	Stopani	Ger. str.	917	April 14	B. K. & W'pon Dock Co.	Salon	at daylight
Fayew	4 h	Croad	Chi. str.	920	April 14	U. C. M. S. N. Co.	Coast Ports	M.D.'s Slip
Gordon Castle	3 b	Waring	Brit. str.	1281	April 14	Adamson, Bell & Co.	Manila	18th inst.
Kwangtung	6 b	Punchard	Brit. str.	675	April 14	Douglas Lapraik & Co.	Shanghai	18th inst.
Leyte	5 d	Zubiaquira	Span. str.	312	April 15	Russell & Co.	Bangkok	Klooc Dock
Lord of the Isles	4 c	Neal	Brit. str.	1588	April 15	Gibb, Livingston & Co.	Manila	To-day
Loudoun Castle	2 c	Marshall	Brit. str.	165	April 9	Siemssen & Co.	S'pore, Calcutta, &c.	18th inst.
Mahanjah	0 c	Clark	Brit. str.	994	April 27	Jardine, Matheson & Co.	Manila	put back
Mariveler	3 b	Munoz	Span. str.	425	Mar. 28	Kwok Acheong	Siagon	To-day
Moray	6 i	Butcher	Brit. str.	1427	April 14	McLchers & Co.	Manila	To-day
Norna	2 h	Walker	Brit. str.	608	June 9	Remedios & Co.	Manila	18th inst.
Penedo	5 c	Cain	Brit. str.	652	April 16	Remedios & Co.	Hamburg	put back
Salvadora	5 c	Larraine	Span. str.	615	April 16	China Traders Insurance Co.	Chesoo	New York
Sea Gull	8 h	Haydon	Amer. str.	100	Mar. 24	China Traders Insurance Co.	Yokohama	Mails
Somerest	4 c	Pockley	Brit. str.	1000	April 14	Gibb, Livingston & Co.	Coast Ports	Cost'an Dock
Tanais	5 c	Marcelle	Fr. str.	1735	April 16	Messageries Maritimes	Yokohama	19th, noon
Tung Ting	6 b	Hawthorne	Chi. str.	314	April			